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In re application of

Jeroen Johannes Gerardus
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 20, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 15, 2003, applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be re-examined and reconsidered in light of the remarks that follow.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following the signature page of this paper.